Non-recognition of Nigerian Medical Degrees by the IMC

1096. SHRI THOMAS KUTHIRAVATTOM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Nigerian Medical degrees which were recognised by almost all advanced countries have not been recognised by the Indian Medical Council;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a positive assurance was given in April, 1986 regarding recognition of Nigerian Medical Degrees; and

(c) if so, how the matter stands now ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) The Nigerian Medical degrees are not recognised by the Medical Council of India.

(b) An assurance was given in reply to Starred Question No. 774 answered on the 23rd April, 1986 that the Medical Council of India were examining the question of recognition of these degrees and that a decision would be arrived at as soon as possible.

(c) The Medical Council has intimated that a team of the Council should visit Nigeria for obtaining information about the courses of study, etc. The Medical Council has been requested to furnish further information such as the expenditure involved on the visit of the team to Nigeria, etc. Further action will be taken by the Government on receipt of reply from the Medical Council.

Passenger Train from Dhanbad to Bardhaman

1097 DR. R. K. PODDAR : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to introduce one passenger train from Dhanbad to Bardhaman after Rajdhani Express leaves Dhanbad; and

(b) whether Government are aware that in absence of a connecting train, people have to wait at Dhanbad for long-distance trains which most of the times are running late ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) and (b) No, Sir. 90 Gomoh-Bardhaman Passenger leaving Dhanbad at 08.12 hrs. follows 102 Rajdhani Express.

टैक्सी के रूप में यात्री कारें

1098. **श्री मिर्जा ईशादबेग : क्या जल-भूतल परिवहन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) कौन-कौन सी यात्री कारें, टैक्सी के रूप मे मंजूर की गई हैं,

(ख) क्या इस प्रकार की यात्री कारो का पंजीकरण टैक्सी के रूप में होने के पश्चात् उपभोक्ताओं को उत्पाद कर में कोई रियायत दी जाती है,

(ग) इस प्रकार की रियायत कितनी मात्रा मे कितनी समयावधि तक दी जाती है, तथा इस सम्बन्ध मे नियम तथा विनियम क्या है,

(घ) किसी कम्पनी, द्वारा बनाई गई डीजल तथा पैट्रोल से चलने वाली कारें केवल टैक्सी उपभोक्ताओं के लिए पंजीकृत की जाती हैं, क्या निजी इस्तेमाल करने वाले भी इस कार को "टैक्सी" के अलावा भी पंजीकृत करा सकते है, यदि हा, तो उसके क्या कारण है, और

(ङ) आज तक ऐसी कितनी कारें टैक्सी के रूप में तथा निजी वाहन के रूप मे पजीकृत हुई हैं और उत्पाद शुल्क में कितनी रियायत दी गई है ?

जल भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री राजेश पायलट) : (क) मोटर कैब/टैक्सी एक ऐसा मोटर वाहन होता है जिसे डाइवर के